

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0007] on page 3 of the specification with the following replacement paragraph:

Thus, voiceprints are created on-the-fly when requested by the application. Unlike existing voiceprints, voice recordings can be obtained and stored in a manner that is not specific to any particular verification engine or version of a particular engine. A significant benefit to such a design is that, if an application calls for a particular speech engine, or a particular version of a speech engine, the existing voice recordings can be used to generate the requisite voiceprint. Should the same application call for a different speech engine, or different version of the speech engine, the same existing voice recordings can once again be used to generate the voiceprint. Users are not required to re-enroll (to generate a new voiceprint). Additionally, having the systematic ability to replace old voice recordings with new voice recordings (which may be recorded upon successful authentication), subsequently generated voiceprints remain current and are not polluted by old voice data. This substantially eliminates problems associated with a speaker's voice changing over time. Equally important, these stored voice recordings can easily be shared between multiple and different applications. This eliminates the frustrating redundancy involved when a person otherwise is required to enroll multiple times.